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Holland Issues Child Welfare Semi-Postals

First day of issue for Holland's

annual semipostal stamps for the benefit of Child Welfare work is today, November 14.

Five in number, in the same type art which characterized the 1948 issue for the same charity, the stamps depict the seasons of the year.



Summer is represented on the Summer is represented on the Sc plus 3c red which depicts a youngster and a man working in a grain field. For Autumn, a golden brown color has been chosen to picture a girl and boy with harvest products. Denomination is 2c plus 3c.

A gray color, quite appropriate for the Winter Season and for the winter scene which it depicts, has been selected for the 10c plus 5c stamp. It shows a boy, in winr clothing carrying wood for a

Spring, in the traditional color of green, is to be seen symbolized on the 6c plus 4c value. Shown are a girl surrounded by flowers and a leafing tree.

The high value of the set is used to symbolize New Years. Pictured are a well cloaked figure of a boy lighting a fire cracker, and the sun and moon. Color is blue and the denomination is 20c plus 7c.

Sale period of the stamps will be from November 14 to Decem-ber 31, 1949. Validity to prepay postage will expire on December 31, 1950.

Designer of the series, and the engraver as well, was Hub Levigne of Maastricht.

Printing was done by the firm of Johann Enschede and Sons of Haarlem by the rotogravure pro-

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THIS RARE PROVISIONAL COVER WAS DECLARED AUTHENTIC by the expert committee of the Philatelic Foundation in New York City. There are only two of them known to exist, the one shown above, the property of George W. Linn, editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp. News. The fancy frame surrounding the 5, and the "5" itself form the provisional stamp. Its use was in 1846, the year just prior to the first postage stamps of the United States, the 5c and 10c 1847's. This newly recognized rarity will be on display at Linn's Weekly Stamp News Booth (No. 61) at the ASDA Show, November 18 to 20 in New York City.

Postal Inspectors, Police Nab Alleged Stamp Counterfeiter; Say Collectors Fleeced Of \$25,000

According to the Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester, N. Y. newspaper, a physical education worker at Canandaigua Veterans Hospital was released in \$1000 bail on October 26 on charges of using the mails to defraud stamp collectors through the sale of foreign stamps on which he allegedly had counterfeited overprints and surcharges. Postal Inspectors claim that trustful purchasers were fleeced to the tune of approximately \$25,000 during the last seven years.

seven years.

James McDonald Field, 30, of James McDonald Field, 30, of Canandaigua, N. Y. was arrested Tuesday October 25, at his Canandaigua apartment, where he had just returned from a two-week British Colonies stamps quoted by just returned from a two-week honeymoon. When he was ar-raigned before U. S. Commission-er Robert Miller in Rochester he pleaded innocent

pleaded innocent.

Postal Inspector Charles A. Miller said authorities seized foreign stamps worth \$100,000 to \$200,000 if they are genuine. He said not all the stamps have been examined as yet Authorities also seized. ed as yet. Authorities also seized rubber stamps used in counterfeiting schemes. They were found in two boots in a closet.

Field specifically is charged with counterfeiting overprints and surcharges on foreign stamps, possession of counterfeiting

equipment, and using the mails to defraud.

Authorities explained that the counterfeiting scheme, which they charge Field used, is very simple. Many foreign governments over-print stamps they have already issued instead of printing new print stamps they have already issued instead of printing new ones for commemorative purpos-es; they also use the overprints to increase prices instead of printing new ones. These overprints make

new ones. These overprints make the stamps valuable to collectors. Postal authorities charge that Field had rubber and metal stamps made of these overmarkings and transferred the markings to stamps which otherwise had only nominal value. They further charge that Field used the mails to advertise these stamps as genuine and sell them.

Some of the advertising mater-ial Field used was seized along ial Field used was seized along with the foreign stamps and rubber stamps. One of the advertisements reads: "I Refuse to Be Undersold! I Sincerely Believe the Following Prices to Be the Lowest in America!" It was signed: "James Field, Box 44, Canandaigua, New York."

Another, Leeflet, advertised:

Another leaflet advertised:
"Collections & Lots at Ridiculously Low Prices!" It was signed
"James Field, Lyons, New Jersey." The advertisements com-

Scott at \$104 was advertised by Field at \$12.

Postal authorities added that many of the stamps Field advertised were genuine, but a check of some proved they were phony, they said. The inspectors made test purchases, paying \$17 for one group. The stamps were analyzed group. The stamps were analyzed by Louis A. Walters, criminolo-gist with the Syracuse police laboratories and noted stamp authority, and found to be phony.

Inspector Miller said Field advertised in stamp collectors' magazines. This was where the first complaints came.

Complaints came from the American Philatelic Society and other professional stamp collect-ors. So far, Miller added, no complaints have been received from individual purchasers.

ANOTHER COMMEM!!

A special bulletin from the Post Office Department stated, "Postmaster General Donaldson announced that he has au-thorized the issuance of a special commemorative postage stamp to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Estab-lishment of the American

lishment of the American Bankers Association. "A detailed description of this new stamp will be an-nounced later by the Post Office Department.

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Philatelic Foundation Certifies Portsmouth, Ohio Cover As Being A Postmaster Provisional Issue

After more than 100 years the city of Portsmouth, Ohio takes its place among the cities of America recognized by Philatelists as having issued what we know as a Postmasters Provisional. The cover is illustrated in slightly reduced size and shows the imprinted stamp as applied by the Portsmouth Postmaster, together with the PAID imprint and the regular cancellation mark.

This cover came into possession of George W. Linn about 1925. When found it became the second such cover known for a similar cover had previously been in the collection of Mr. C. B. Duffy of Columbus, Ohio as early as in the 1880's. The cover in the hands of Mr. Duffy was written about and described in an issue of the American Journal of Philately in 1889. Mr. Luff made mention of this cover in his great work on United States Stamps. The cover referred to was later acquired by Mr. O. A. Schenek then of Columbus, Ohio, now deceased.

A complete story of both of these covers was printed in the May 5, 1947 issue of this paper with illustrations of both.

Mr. Linn spent a great bit of time in trying to get information in support of his belief that these covers were genuine and legitimate. Postmaster Provisionals.

in support of his belief that these covers were genuine and legitimate Postmaster Provisionals. Every bit of information uncovered seemed to lend to this belief and trips to both Portsmouth and Lexington, Kentucky resulted in meagre bits of additional information until last January it was decided that the time uary it was decided that the time was ripe to put the question up to the Expert Committee of the Philatelic Foundation in New York and ask those gentlemen to either approve the covers as legitimate Postmaster Provisionals or to call them otherwise.

The cover illustrated was forwarded to the Committee in Jan.

The cover illustrated was forwarded to the Committee in January of this year. Such other information and documents in support of the belief that the cover was a Postmaster Provisional, as were available, were given the Committee and as month after month went by without any decision by this Committee, the opinion began to grow stronger in the mind of the owner that the cover would be authenticated.

We have now received from the Committee a certificate which states, "We have examined the enclosed United States (Portsmouth) 1846, 5c black, on letter sheet with black 'Portsmouth, O.' cancel, and 'Paid' submitted by Mr. George W. Linn of which a photograph is attached on the reverse and are of the opinion that it is a genuine Postmaster's Provisional."

The Certificate is signed by the Expert Committee and thus a new rarity is born.

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It can not be attempted to review the Postmaster Provisional issues of the United States. Suffice to say that thirteen different cities are now recognized in the Scott Specialized Catalogue as having issued such stamps. This will make the number of cities. will make the number of cities fourteen.

Which of the Provisionals is the rarest is a question that can not be answered, but it is believed that this Portsmouth Provisional will rank at or near the top in the order of rarity which is naturally based on the number of copies known to exist.

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Our thanks for the information given above to Mr. C. A. Bennett, Rotherham, Yorks, England.

two known copies, so that authorities on these issues can place this Portsmouth Cover in its proper niche in the Hall of Philatelic Fame.

Whether the Committee found or discovered any other information in support of this cover is not known, but due to the fact that the authentication of this cover has been made by the Committee and because of its great rarity it is believed that a complete statement of the findings plete statement of the findings and opinions of the Committee might be published in the Collectors Club Philatelist.

Lady Selby "Shuna" Needs The Dough

American collectors should take American collectors should take warning and not be taken in by a new set of "monkey business stamps" recently issued by Lady Selby, wife of Viscount Selby. It appears that the Lady has taken possession of a small island off the English coast near the mount of Loch Melfort. The island has a population of ten persons including the gardener and handy man. man.

The Lady conceived the idea The Lady conceived the idea of issuing stamps which are put on the backs of letters and have no postal value in the eyes of the British Post Office. It is stated that the first lot of hundreds of covers were mailed world wide and marked first day of issue. This of course to lure the sucker money just as was done with Lundy Island stamps.

None of this junk is worth anything in a stamp collection for the labels are not stamps and have no value. Big efforts have been made at times to market the Lundy Island stamps in America and doubtless in other countries and now comes these SHU-NA stamps which are worth about as much as the label on the end of a spool of thread, so take warning and do not buy this trash if offered by some person who is eager to make a few extra dollars.

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Russia, San Marino Become UPU Minded

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Denominations and colors are a 40k brown and blue and a 50k blue and black with similar designs. A globe with a band of letters fills up most of the picture space.

As in Jugoslavia and several other satellite countries, the government controls the stamp trade, or has made it a government monoply, and which monopoly is found expressed in the inflated prices at which dealers must sell the stamps.

The four Russian Stamps (perfand imperf) are priced at around

and imperf) are priced at around \$2 in the United States.

\$2 in the United States.

San Marino, another of the "stamp a week" countries has announced a single stamp for the UPU celebration. It will have a denomination of 100 Lire and be issued in December.

A change was made in the listing of the three UPU stamps from Poland. Actual denominations of the stamps are 6.30 and 80 cloties

the stamps are 6, 30 and 80 zloties and not as listed previously.

Denominations of the UPU stamps from the Jugoslavian controlled part of Trieste are 5 and 12 Dinars.

Two different designs were used for the eight stamps from the Portuguese Colonies. A banner, globe and the back side of an envelope are used in the designs of the stamps for Portuguese India (2½ Tangas, red); Timor (16 Avos, brown); Macao (32 Avos, purple); Mozambique (4\$50, blue).

blue).
The other design pictures the back of an envelope with the anniversary dates of 1874 and 1949. It was used for the issues from Angola (4 Angolars, green); Portuguese Guinea (2\$00, ochre); St. Thomas and Prince (3\$50, dark brown); Cape Verde (1\$00, reddish violet).

(Editors Note—It is the intention of this paper to continue

(Editors Note—It is the intention of this paper to continue to provide the most complete and up-to-date UPU Check List of any philatelic publication in the world. Cooperation of the readers is asked to point out any errors when discovered, and if possible to provide the first day of issue dates where such are indicated as not known.)

UPU COMMEMORATIVES

Country Stamps In set 1st Day

Germany 12, 16, 24, 50, 60 Pfg. April 13
1 and 2 Marks
15aly 50 Lirc May 2
Trieste (AMG oypt.) 50 Lire May 2
Switzerland 19c. 25, 40c May 16
Czechoslovakia 5, 5, 18 Kes. May 20
Licchienstein 40
Syria 12.50, 25 pi & 12.50, 50 pi
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Death Claims Denis Shelton Eastern Dealer

Ethiopia

Many readers will learn with regret of the death of Denis Shel-ton, owner and manager of the Franklin Stamp Co., Hempstead, N.

N. Y. Mr. Shelton was stricken with a heart attack on October 24, and

a heart attack on October 24, and died three days later on the afternoon of October 27. He is survived by several sisters and brothers. He was born in Brooklyn, but when in later years the appeal of the "wide open spaces" looked good to him, he and his wife took up residence in Hempstead from which place the business has been operated since.

operated since.

When time hung heavy on his hands some sixteen years ago after the passing of his wife, Mr. Shelton started a modest stamp business which catered to the approval trade,

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Franklin Stamp Co., well known for its stock of United States and British North American stamps and the well patronized auctions which were conducted consisting of such material. of Mr. Shelton

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fore have been taken over with the extra space going to exhibition frames and more convenient

extra space going to exhibition frames and more convenient dealer accomodations.

Inasmuch as the club plans to have greater crowds than ordinarily because of the Wright theme of this year's show, and the fact that it will have the Wright stamps.

that it will have the Wright stamps on a cover for a first day of its own, there has been a heavy demand for bourse space and exhibition frames.

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Air Letter Sheet Planned By Israel

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THE SPECIAL ST. PAUL PIONEER PRESS ENVELOPE which the newspaper had prepared for use during Minnesota's Territorial Centennial Year of 1949 makes a dandy cacheted cover. The striking design in a blue color carries a scene in which are combined a pioneer entry into the territory, and a view of modern St. Paul. It covers the entire back of the envelope, With the addition of a Minnesota Centennial stamp in the upper right hand corner and the usual name and address on the picture side of the envelope, a most unusual cover is the result. Collectors wanting one must send a Minnesota stamp and the name and address to whom the cover is to go to Roy Swanson, Dispatch Library, St. Paul, Minn. The possibilities of these covers becoming a collector's item was suggested to Mr. Swanson and the newspaper by Carl P. Rueth, managing editor of Linn's who incidentally obtained the first one. Holding four of the covers above is Myldred Olson the St. Paul Dispatch's candidate in a local beauty contest. in a local beauty contest.

Photo-St. Paul Dispatch

Famous Swiss Magistrate, Three Alpine Flowers Designs Of 1949 Pro Juventute Semi-Postal Stamps

Switzerland's colorful annual issue of semi-postal stamps for the benefit of the Pro Juventute institution will be released on December 1. This year's series will depict a famous Swiss citizen on the low value and more Alpine native flowers on the remaining three, a practice of the past few years. The issue for 1949 will mark the last time that flowers will be used as the central part of the stamp design. The flower theme was started in 1943, when three of the stamps depicted a Silver Thistle, a Lady Slipper and a Gentian respectively. Each issue of Pro Juventutes since that time have extended the tradition.



As in the past, four stamps will again comprise the issue. One of them, the 5 plus 5c will be in the single color of brownish carmine. The remaning three will appear in three different colors each.

on the 10 plus 10c in green, gray and yellow will be pictured an Anemone sulphureous. The 20 plus 10c displaying an Alpine Clematis will be in brown, blue and yellow.

Clematis will be in brown, blue and yellow.

A Superb Pink will form the main part of the design for the 40 plus 10c to be printed in colors of blue, violet and yellow.

Only the low value will be a line engraved stamp. The remaining three are to be produced by the rotary heliogravure process.

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Designer of the 5 plus 5c is the well known artist, Karl Bickel of Wallenstadtberg. Bickel was also responsible for the engraving.

The other stamps were designed by Hans Fischer of Feldmeilen.

Only the low value wil be printed at the government print-ing plant. Courvoisier SA of La Chaux de Fonds will produce the

Those stamps printed by the rotary heliogravure process are to appear on lightly coated paper with a mixture of red and blue fibers while the 5 plus 5c will be

on plain white paper.

Design of the 5c value has a portrait of Niklaus Wengi, the famous chief magistrate of Solothurn who died four hundred

thurn who used years ago.

The stamps will be on sale at all Swiss post offices from December 1 to 31, and at the Philatelic Agency until January 15, 1950. Validity of the stamps to pay postage fees will last until

May 31, 1950.

Collectors wanting copies of the stamps direct from Switzerland can get them at face value plus postage from the Philatelic Agency, Direction General of PTT, Bollwerk 8, Berne, Switzerkand.

United States post offices writing International Money Orders will have the current rate of expensions.

ing International Money Orders will have the current rate of exchange between the Swiss Franc and the United States dollar.

Special Junior Booth At National Stamp Show

Junior visitors to the National Postage Stamp Show sponsored by the American Stamp Dealers Association at the 71st Regiment Armory in New York City, Nov-ember 18 to 20 will have special accomodations all their own.

The Bronx County Stamp Club, sponsors of the Bronx Junior Stamp Club have taken a booth at the show where they will play host to all young collectors.

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New Postal Ferry Stamps From Denmark

Three new stamps of interest to collectors have been issued by Denmark in the past few weeks.
Two of them are Postal Ferry stamps which had a first day on October 20. They consist of stamps of the regular postage series have of the regular postage series having the portrait of King Frederick IX in the design and overprinted "POSTFAERGE."

Such stamps are placed on mail which is destined to go by ferry to various parts of Denmark.

The overprint was added to the recently issued 30 ore orange and

40 ore blue.

There was a single new postage due stamp released also, according to Eric Wowern, Ordrupdalvej 5, Charlottenlund, Denmark. It has a denomination of 40 ore is wine red in color and is in Scott type D-1.

Stamps for Benin were made by overprinting French stamps with the name of that country.

St. Michael and Satan were de-icted in the designs of three picted in the designs of three stamps which Belgium issued for the Brussels Exhibition.

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Cooperation For Philately

Stamp Collecting is a hobby which thrives on cooperation. If stop and think matters over we will see just how dependent hobby is on the cooperation of those who are interested in it, who have been followers of the hobby for many years know quite well that there are hundreds of collectors scattered about in rural areas who have little chance of contact with other collectors personally, yet through various forms of cooperating these collectors do have a contact that helps keep their interests alive. This contact is mostly through the weekly stamp publications of America.

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If we go back fifty years and think of our hobby in those days as compared with what we have today the change is amazing. In those days there was but a single weekly paper and dozens of monthly magazines. The weekly was a profitable business venture while none of the monthly magazines. The weekly was a profitable business venture while none of the monthly magazines. The weekly was a profitable business venture while none of the monthly magazines. The weekly was a profitable business venture while none of the monthly magazines produced enough income to support the publishers and a few of them made any money at all.

Today we have practically no monthly papers of much value outside those of the leading Clubs and Societies. We do have however a total of six weekly papers all of which are doing a splendid service to the hobby.

Through these papers the collectors all over the country are brought closer together. Next in importance in a cooperative way is the stamp clubs of the country, hundreds of which thrive in small towns. In the larger cities there are as many as a dozen or two clubs in one city; the very big cities perhaps number their clubs of all kinds by the hundreds, so that there is every possibility for anyone interested to find fellow collectors with whom to meet.

The National societies also bring about a cooperative group and work for the general betterment of our hobby.

What is most needed however is an all inclusive group that will bring together all of the elements interested in our hobby under one banner that will work for the good of all. Since the organization of the American Stamp Dealers Association several years ago its growth has been slow but steady. Today the membership includes most of the leading stamp dealers of America and we feel that this Association should take the lead in banding together those groups which are vitally interested in promoting our hobby. P

snows of the same nature and should act as a sounding board to tell the Association what it should and can do toward promoting our hobby.

Our publication has been liberal in support of this show and we would be as liberal in support of a strong association that would work for the advancement and betterment of the hobby. We believe we need a strong organization of dealers. We would even go so far as to say that there should be some plan set up for the policing of the trade in that new dealers when they enter the field should be approved as recognized dealers. We believe that the weekly publications should band together under the ASDA for a more strict handling of credit regulations and for a more strict censorship of stamp advertising and stamp advertisers. There has been a looseness in the stamp field and in stamp advertising that would not be tolerated in any other reputable field by the Business Organizations interested in that field. This matter is wholly the fault of both the Stamp Dealers Organization for not vigorously protesting and of the various publishers for their utter lack of cooperation. We would like to see this situation remedied and feel certain it would be to the advantage of our hobby as a whole.

Properly organized, the Stamp Dealers Association could and should maintain a press and information bureau for the dissemination of news and other information to the stamp papers of the country as well as to the daily and weekly newspapers and magazines. Doubtless hundreds of small papers about the country would gladly use a mat service if supplied them and the preparation of this service is something that would require most careful consideration. If properly set up and handled it would be the means of adding many new collectors and holding many who fall by the wayside. After all, stamp collecting is a hobby. It can be a costly hobby or one can follow it at a moderate cost. It is to this latter group that the dealers and the publishers owe the most.

Specializing to the nth degree is a very laudabl

rank and file of the followers of Philately are of the run of mine type of collector who is in it because he has pleasure and interest from it. It is this group that supports our papers and our stamp dealers. We need more effort to cater to these people and it is from this class of collectors that the specialists of the future will emerge. We hope to see the day when the American Stamp Dealers Association will set up what might be called a Philatelic Chamber of Commerce, patterned after other national organizations of the same kind and bring into active cooperation all of the National Societies, as many of the local societies as can afford membership, all of the stamp dealers of good repute and all of the philatelic publications, working together for the sole advancement of our hobby.

Boston Society Reports Successful Show

The Boston A. P. S. Convention Committee, Inc., announces that all its affairs have been satisfactorily concluded. All bills are paid and the guarantors deposits have been refunded in full. Certificates of participation and awards have been mailed to all exhibitors. It is reported that Bourse holders are satisfied with the results between the control of the contro These results are due to the large public attendance which exceeded 4500 paid admissions.

NEWS C Of C Saves Annual Christmas Tree Cachet

The Post Office Department's official heart, alleged to be of pure Vermont granite, remained un-moved in the matter of the little green Christmas Tree cachet from Christmas, Florida. A definite and adamant "nix"

was the POD's reply to those who had tried to get the official bless-ing for the continuance of this fifteen year old Christmas tra-

Since 1934, postmaster Mrs. Juanita S. Tucker has been apply-ing the green Christmas Trees on mail sent from her Christmas postoffice. Her rubber stamped trees, setting in rubber stamped tubs, and lit with rubber stamped candles have changed but little from year to year, but come a new Yule Season, Mrs. Tucker usually had a

Season, Mrs. Tucker usually had a new slogan to go with the tree. In 1940, before the U.S. got into World War II, her greeting from Christmas was "Christmas from Christmas was

years later, the year the nded, it was "Peace on Five ended, it was

In 1947 Mrs. Tucker "For the Healing of the Nations, One World Indivisible."

One World Indivisible."

Last Christmas her message was
"Glory to God in the Highest."

Mrs. Tucker might have gone
on putting Christmas trees and
slogans on mail indefinitely if
her idea hadn't proved so popular.
Snowed under by 150,000 pieces
of mail, she asked for more help
to handle it.

The Postoffice responded by

to handle it.

The Postoffice responded by giving her more help and raising the Christmas office from fourth to third class, which gave Mrs. Tucker a raise. But later it ruled also that she would have to give

up her Christmas stamping habits.
With Christmas only two months away, Sen. Holland (D-Fla) appealed to Postmaster Gen. Jesse Donaldson to relax this ban.

"There must be some way in your maze of regulations to authorize continuance of this long-standing custom," Holland

But a high Postal official stated that, if Christmas trees are stamp that, if Christmas trees are stamped on mail from Christmas this year, it will have to be done outside the Christmas post office—and not at the taxpayer's expense.

So figuratively picking up the much abused Christmas Tree from the middle of Main Street where the Post Office Department had heaved it, the Christmas Chamber of Commerce has declared that it would continue to apply the conwould continue to apply the con-troversial cachet to all mail which was directed to its attention dur-

was directed to its attention during the next month and a half.

The greeting cards and other mail for which the cachet is wanted must be properly stamped and addressed and sent under cover to the Chamber of Commerce, Christmas, Florida with a request that the cachet be applied. The Chamber will then see that the mail gets to the post office where mail gets to the post office where it will be postmarked and sent on its way.

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Planetarium Station

This week I believe that I have some thraordinarily interesting buys for you like so I'm going to give them to you wiftly. I sincerely believe that every em in this column represents good alue and would justify quick action a your part.

I just received a sample lot of U. S. 5c and 10c 1847's which were a joy to see, particularly the low prices for such beauties. There was a stamp for every price starting at \$8, \$9, \$10 and on up to \$22 for the #1; \$17.50 to \$19.00 for pairs; \$12 to \$18 on cover. The 10c value (#2.) on cover can be had for \$50. It happens that Charles R. Elliot, 1230 Old Boalsburg Rd., State College, Pa., has a new house and a new baby and he cut his prices in half to get some cash or both. He is a life member of SPA and APS and he guarantees your satisfaction or money back.

The same Mr. Elliott is an ex-used airmail dealer and he has a goodly part of that stock that he is going to close out at a third, and for the same reason—the new home and the new baby. He sent a sample lot to me saying that a well known used airmail dealer would get \$30.00 for the lot—and he wants only \$10.00 for it. I immediately checked with that used airmail dealer and he admitted that it was an extraordinary value and that many of the stamps he doesn't even have in stock. If you are interested in used airmails, better hurry your check to Charles R. Elliott, 1230 Old Boalsburg Rd, State College, Pa. Asks for the special \$10 airmail lot.

I wish they didn't do II, but every once in a while someone will send a collection to me instead of holding it. Today I received another collection with the instructions, "Get it sold. I need the money." The collection has 20,000 different in 20 different books, with many unusual items for a general collection and I recommend it highly for the price. The first check for \$175.00 gets the collection. Send the check to my office.

Here is a lot that will practically put by in the stamp business because it as quantity, quality, attractive pic-rials and low price. The lot is made to of 400 mint copies of Newfoundland

#270; 400 mint #800 in Morocco; 400 copies of the #256, mint and 3 sets of Liect C7-8 on first day cover. The e catalogs close to \$250.00 and able for \$72.00 from Meyer V 30 Canal Street, New York, N.

Mrs. Mae B. Tenney of Vermont we came all the way to New York to we the Jamboree, called me on the tenton and among other things, as "George Connelly is one of the nicmen to deal with for U. S. stamps." was a coincidence because I had just ceived a communication from Mr. C. nelly telling that he is arranging so special material at special prices. would suggest that you send him a wellst to beat others to the gun befine makes his specials public, Mr. C. nelly is the Essex Stamp House Lawrence, Mass.

Will the lady who called from Boats about a speaking engagement, write me? The letter addressed to you have been returned. Quite possibly I didn't g the name straight, or possibly the address.

PUZZLE

I am a British administrator and financier and for reasons of health went to a land bordering the Indian Ocean. With my bother I entered into a mining activity and accumulated a world famous fortune. I became active politically, contributed considerable funds to political organizations, formed colonies, one of which was named after myself. Later I became Premier but was forced to resign when it was disclosed that I was the instigator of an attack upon the government of a friendly nation. Soon after I re-entered parlament but within two years succumbed to heart disease. I left \$24,000,000.00 to public service and endowed 170 scholarships at Oxford for the youth of the British Empire, United States and Germany. My likeness appears on the stamps of the country bearing my name, What is my name? (Answer next

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All suspicions and rumors to All suspicions and rumors to the contrary, the recent explo-sions and fires on the seventh and eighth floors of the Post Office Department Building in Washing-ton were not the work of secret agents from Dayton, Ohio, the citizens of which were rebuffed in their attempts to get the Wright their attempts to get the Wright Brothers first day for their city!!

What answers do you suspect

1. If you would want to travel, what forms of transportation are shown on the commens of 1948 which you could use, whether old or modern?

or modern?
2. Of the 29 commems of 1948 how many of them carried por-traits of persons which actually lived at one time?

Wonder how many of the folks who have tried the stunt know that their feeble fakery is frus-

I refer to the dodge where a person in one town sends a letter under cover to the care of the

under cover to the care of the postmaster in another, and asks him to place it in the mails from the postmaster's city.

Providing the letter is sealed and properly stamped, the postmaster will be happy to postmark the letter from his office and send it on its way to destination. But there is a joker!

Folks using that round about way of mailing their letters generally have several things in mind. Sometimes an ardent swain attempting to make an impression on a delectable fluff of femininity has his letter sent from a

sion on a delectable fluir of femininity has his letter sent from a
distant city to put over the idea
he is a traveling big shot.
Again, and often, the ruse is
adopted by errant husbands who
try to put over the "being in one
place" idea while they are in
another usually up to good

try to put over the "being in one place" idea while they are in another, usually up to no good.

A number of anonymous letters carrying threats and slanderous or defamatory remarks are sent to enemies or persons who for the time being are in disfavor with the writer.

But you can't get away with it folks, for as I wrote above, there is a joker.

The postmaster mails the letter as requested, but on the face of it he also rubber stamps the notation, "Received under cover from (name of city) and remailed at (name of his post office)."

Many times, as in the case of anonymous letters, it isn't difficult to discover who the writers were.

I note with regret that John M.

I note with regret that John M. Smith has retired from his position with the government. Perhaps that will awaken no recogtion in the minds of many. So I will say that the beloved and hard working Jack Smith, Superintendent of the Stamp Division of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing is leaving that job after 42 years of efficient and meritorious service. I only met Mr. Smith once, and that was at the CIPEX in New York City in May of 1947. He was in charge of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing display where they actually printed stamps in full view of the interested visitors.

stamps in full view of the interested visitors.
With his staff there, he was most patient and informative in answering the many questions about the engraving and printing of stamps which were hurled at him hour after hour through the day and at night until closing time.

When I interviewed him at that time, he placed himself and his knowledge at my convenience in answering the many questions which I had. The results of this interview were printed in an edition of Linn's soon after I re-

turned from the show association Smith lasted no more than an stamps. Hour, I pegged him for a dandy person to know, work and live with and I am sure that they are live with and I am sure that they are live with a live

going to miss him at the Bureau.
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Ohio who has been digging around for data on the automatic cancelling machines comes a bit of information which probably the average stamp and cancellation

average stamp and cancellation fan does not know.

Automatic cancelling machines are driven in two ways, he writes, by electric motor and by hand.

One of the types of the motor driven is the Universal, a product of the Pitney-Bowes Co. It wasn't always manufactured by them.

Back in 1920, the Universal Stamping Machine Co. merged with P-B, but the name of the machine remained as Universal. It is substantially the same kind of machine today that it was many years ago. many years ago.

Presently, there are four hand

driven brands of cancelling machines in use. There is the Universal, the Columbia, the International which also has a motor driven machine widely used) and the Ielfield.

Of the four, the Ielfield is becoming the scarcest one of the lot

coming the scarcest one of the lot. The hand driven cancellers came into being for use in those post offices where there was not where the community lacked electric power. Nearly every place has electricity now, which eliminates one of the reasons for the hand driven machines.

You should be thinking of San-

You should be thinking of Santa Claus by now—and thinking of the good saint brings to mind the thought that presents have to be gotten for relatives and friends.
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seven days.

There used to be a time when the Post Office Department had two heavy service periods per year which called for a lot of stamped envelopes and stamps, and plenty of overtime in getting the mail processed.

Easy enough to guess, one of the times was the Christmas Season. But the other has probably been forgotten by the old timers and never heard of by the modern man and woman.

It was the yearly election and pre-election periods when the "merits and the qualifications" of the candidates were brought to the attention of the public through a barrage of cards and letters to each eligible voter in the land.

Now days, we have the radio used for that purpose, and television. Although the latter makes most folks look like an unshaved baboon.

In commenting on the pressure

baboon.

baboon. In commenting on the pressure put on the Post Office Department to supply stamps and service during the "please vote for me" period, a news item of October 1894 vintage notes that a record 20 million stamps a day were being sent out to post offices all over the country. And, it was stated, this pace does not begin to meet the orders for stamps and envelopes sent in by postmasters.

The big call seemed to be in

postmasters.

The big call seemed to be in the larger cities such as New York, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Pittsburgh and Chicago.

It was noted that New York City's Tammany Hall had requested 225,000 stamped envelopes alone. lopes alone.

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Ever since 1946, rumors and stories have circulated and gained ground that more than the six men shown in Joe Rosenthal's famous picture, which was later made into the Iwo Jima commemorative stamp, were involved in the flag raising on Iwo Jima. In fact, I had heard, variously, that an entire squad of Marines, and maybe more, had been mowed down—annihilated—before the boys finally succeeded in planting the flag on top of Suribachi's rim.

So I've been digging, digging, digging, and have come up with an assorted number of statements, data and facts, one of which indicates, without any doubt, that two different flags were raised up there, all on the morning of February 23, 1945. The first was a smaller flag, carried up and attached to a piece of lead pipe; the second was a regulation 6-foot banner, sent up and attached to a 20-foot staff, as shown in Rosenthal's picture.

Another fact which I obtained is that NO ONE was killed, or even wounded, as a direct result of these two flag-raisings—the look be praised and thanked! Who

Lord be praised and thanked! Who raised those two flags? As Al Smith loved to say "Let's look at the record."

"Joe" Rosenthal, famed AP photographer, was not present at the original flag raising. He got his opportunity to take photographs of the second raising more or less by chance when a companion pointed to some Marines starting up the hill with a 6-foot flag on a 20-foot staff. Together with two Marine Corps camera-men, who were to take official movie sequences of this second flag raising, Rosenthal toiled up the sandy, volcanic slope, side-stepping hastily marked mines, dodging snipers' bullets and avoiding American demolition squads. "Joe" Rosenthal, famed AP

demolition squads.

Arriving at the summit, he piled rocks and a Japanese sandbag on the crater's rim in order to gain a wider range for his camera. He then took three shots—the famous one with the staff half way up, a second with the Marines survey-ing their accomplishment, and a third, frankly posed, with the men standing round the flag, cheering.

standing round the flag, cheering. Because he sent the film straight to Guam for developing, Rosenthal did not know until he arrived on Guam himself, five days later, Because he sent the film straight to Guam for developing, Rosental did not know until he arrived on Guam himself, five days later, which picture was meant in the radio message from AP headquarters "Fine pix flag raising." He thought the message referred social platon of Marines scale the precipitous slopes of Suribachi to following news-item appeared:

The BIG SHOW

marines reached the base of the mountain the afternoon of 21 February. . . . By nightfall of 22 February they had surrounded the base of Suribachi except for about 400 yards on the west coast. . . and patrols had reconnoitered for router up the ride of the mountain and patrols had reconnoisered for routes up the side of the mountain to the top.

"After a careful survey of the situation on 23 February 1945, it was decided to send a patrol up

the north face of the mountain. By carefully choosing its route, a forty-man patrol from Company E. 2nd Battallion, led by First Lieutenant Harold G. Schrier, was able to climb to the lip of the crater.

Meanwhile a large flag, measuring 96 by 56 inches, was pro-cured from the nearest available LST and at 1035 the flag made famous by the striking photograph snapped by Joe Rosenthal, Associated Press, was flying above the smoke of battle,

"On land, on sea, and in the air,

"On land, on sea, and in the air,

to the one for which he had posed the men. . . . "Good luck was with me, that's all" said Joe. (Quoted from Current Biography, June, 1945.)

AS THE MARINE CORPS REPORTED IT

"The enemy defenses of all approaches to Mount Suribachi were found to be very formidable. After bitter fighting, the 28th Marines reached the base of the mountain the afternoon of 21 Febmountain the afternoon of 22 Febmountain the afternoon of 23 Febmountain the afternoon of 25 Febmountain the afternoon of 27 Febmountain the afternoon of 28 Febmountain the afternoo patrol seems to have been carefully avoided.)

SO WHO RAISED THE TWO FLAGS?

Two months later, in May, 1945, the famous picture was made into a million posters to boost the Seventh War Loan and in July it was used for the Iwo Jima commemorative stamp. At that time the six men were officially listed as being:

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BELGIUM: The recent souvenir sheet issued in connection with the 100th anniversary of the Belgian Post has been overprinted in red and blue and sold at a surtax of 50 francs. The overprinting is very ornate and does not detract from the original beauty of the sheet as so often happens in these cases.

BELGIUM: The Parcel Post set

BELGIUM: The Parcel Post set showing trains has had another value added. This time it is a 60 franc dark violet brown showing an electric locomotive. The date 15 October, 1945 appears at the lower left.

BULGARIA: The U. P. U. commemorative has been received. The stamp is a 50l. air mail in blue showing a globe with a band encircling it on which appears the wording "U. P. U." and the dates.



FRANCE: A single commemorative just received honors the convention of the presidents of the chamber of commerce of France. The stamp is a 15 franc denomination and the color is deep red. The design shows a group of mythological figures, probably taken from some ancient art work.



GERMANY: Another U.P.U. commemorative has just come to hand; this one is for the Russian zone. The stamp is a large blue label with the value of 50pf, showing a globe, a bird in flight bearing a letter and appropriate inscription.

The color of the lettering is very much darker than that of the basic stamp and looks almost as if it were an overprint.

GERMANY: The U. P. U. stamp for the Bi-zone area has been received. It is a 30pf, blue and shows a profile portrait of Von Stephan as well as the post of-GERMANY: Another U.P.U. com-

stephan as well as the post of-fice buildings.

ORDAN: (PALESTINE) An-other inverted overprint on the UPU set has been found. This time the stamp in question is the 50 mils green.



First day figures for the 15c U.P.U. and the Edgar Allan Poe 3c commemoratives were released by the Post Office Department. For the Poe stamp, which had its first day of issue on October 7 at Richmond, Va., there were 4 are 1 yen 1 green and 14 yen red, On all four stams the letters "U.P.U." appear.

UGOSLAVIA: There is a new 15c are 2 yen green and 14 yen red, On all four stams the letters "U.P.U." appear. JAPAN: The U. P. U. set has been received consisting of four

On all four stams the letters
"U. P. U." appear.

JUGOSLAVIA: There is a new Olympic set. Denominations are 2d. plus 1d. green, 3d. plus 1d. red, 5d. plus 2d. slate.

JUGOSLAVIA: The U. P. U. set has been received. Denominations are 3 din. red showing an airplane, a globe, a train and a airplane, a globe, a train and a ship, 5 din. blue showing an airplane, a train, and an old stage coach and 12 din. brown, same design as the 3 din.

portuguese colonies: U. P. U. commemorative has been issued for each of the following eight Portuguese colonies: one design shows a globe with an envelope almost covering it and the dates 1874-1974. There is a 4ags, dark green

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The other design also shows a globe and an envelope, but the arrangement is different. These are 2½ tgs. red for Portuguese India; a 32A deep red violet for Macao; a 4\$50 for Mozambique, and a 16A brown for Timer. for Timor.



JUGOSLAVIA: A two value ski commemorative has been re-ceived. Denominations are 10d.

ceived. Denominations are 10d. red violet showing a ski jump and 12d. slate gray showing a ski jumper.

ROMANIA: A 50 Lei commemorates the 5th anniversary of the Liberation of Romania by the Russians. The stamp is printed on a paper which is surface colored green. The design is in red brown and the stamp is issued in both perforate and imperforate condition.

RUSSIA: A two value set com-

RUSSIA: A two value set commemorating the 100th anniversary of the famous physiologist, Pawlov, has been received. Denominations are 40k brown and 1 ruble black.

Both stamps bear the same design which consists of a candid

sign which consists of a candid study of the great physiologist seated at a table with his hands resting on what appears to be a book and staring fixedly at a flower pot containing a plant. A great deal of this worthy biography must be understood as there are a total of 25 different Russian words incorporated into the design.



SPAIN: The U. P. U. set conas a large globe with the post of the salues, two post-age and one airmail. These are a 50c brown and 75c blue for regular postage and an airmail of 4P. olive green, all showing a large globe with the post of-fice in the background.



SPANISH WESTERN SAHARA (IFNI): Three U. P. U. commemoratives of Spain have been overprinted (Territorio de Ifni). There are two postage values, a 50c brown overprinted in blue, a 75c blue overprinted in red. There is also a 4P. olive green air mail overprinted in red.

First Day Data For **UPU 15c And Poe Stamps**

stamp had its first day at Chicago on October 7.

The Connecticut Philatelic Society which meets monthly at various cities throughout the state will next meet at Waterbury. Host to the group will be the Waterbury Stamp Club on November 28 at the First Baptist Church in that city.

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984—Annapolis 3c, May 23
C41—6c Airmail Coil, August 2
985—G.A.R. 3c, August 29
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C42—UPU 15c, October 7.

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DEVALUATION. As a result of the devaluation of the Pound, it is expected that the demand for British Empire stamps in the United States will increase substantially, especially the higher values, as collectors will

higher values, as collectors will now want full sets instead of the shorter sets to the shilling. At this time there is a scarcity of current sets and dealers are reluctant to sell these sets at a loss, especially as many of the current sets will become obsolete very soon and the lower price will apply only to items available at post offices or at the Crown Agents.

New sets for Mauritlus and Seychelles should be the first to appear.

silver webpear.

Silver webpings. There was a slight recession during the summer and the lowest price reached in London was 65 Pounds, which was before the devaluation of the Pound. Since then prices have hardened and then prices have hardened and the present WHOLESALE price in London is 80 Pounds with

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CEYLON. Of the recently issued Independence issue of four values, only the 4c and 15c values are still obtainable at latest reports. In view of the short time these sets were available, they should be good

SEYCHELLES. A complete new set for Seychelles is promised soon and the recent color change of the 50c value should not be overlooked as it will become obsolete when the new set appears.

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GREAT BRITAIN. The issuance of the Silver Jubilees produced an outstanding variety, the 2½ pence Prussian blue. A London dealer is now offering this stamp at 135 Pounds mint and 150 Pounds used.

GREAT BRITAIN-MOROCCOS.

In setting up the overprints

In setting up the overprints for the Spanish Silver Jubilee set, the word CENTIMES was set, the word CENTIMES was used in error instead of CENTIMOS on some of the 10c stamps. Before the error was discovered many of the sheets were broken up and the error became the ordinary French overprint. A London dealer is offering a complete sheet containing this error for 400 Pounds or a block of nine with the error at 75 Pounds.

JAMAICA. The Constitution set of seven values to 10 shillings is getting scarce and in view of the contemplated change to dollars and cents, this set should be bought now while still available at the low price of about \$4.25 to \$4.50.

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My mathematics may not be of the best but there is one thing that was thoroughly drummed into my head and that is one and one always equals two.

There were 56,782,040 stamps, of the Stone Issue, printed. 67,-048 impressions were made from plate number 23890, 67,049 from 23891, and 34,348 from 23892 and 34,348 from 23893.

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or more.

Second: Plate positions of 23892 and 23893 are twice as difficult to obtain than those of 23890 and 23891. It is also wise to make note of the fact that positions of 23890 and 23891 are none too plentiful in their own right. Therefore you can draw your own conclusions when the official figures point up that there were twice as many out that there were twice as many impressions made of the first two plates as there were of the last two

two.

Third: Getting down to bare facts. If there were 67.049 impressions made from plate number 23891 then we must figure that there were available, to begin with, 268.196 panes of seventy stamps each or the same amount of position plate numbers. Nevertheless in order to ascertain just how many there were of just one position, say the lower right of 23891, then we revert back to the number of impressions made, of that specific plate number, which

number of impressions made, of that specific plate number, which in this case was 67,049.

Remember not to lose sight of the fact that one single impression, from a plate, is equal to 200 stamps of the large size such as our current special delivery stamp, 280 stamps of the medium size such as our Famous American types of which the Stone stamp is an example and 400 stamps of the small type such as those of our Presidential Series. Therefore now that we are covering the Stone stamp when we

ering the Stone stamp when we mention a single impression then you must think in terms of 280 stamps.

you must think in terms of 280 stamps.

No one has ever seen a sheet of 280 stamps sold at our retail stamp windows simply because these are cut into panes of 70 with which we are all familar. I shan't go into detail as to how the four panes are packed, after they are cut from the original sheets of 280 stamps and then dispersed to the far reaches of our country. I covered this feature several times, in the past, when I was presenting concrete reasons why one position of the same plate number could be more difficult to obtain than the other positions of the same number.

Add to the number of panes of those available for 23891, 268,192 so for 23890, 139,392 for 23892 and 139,392 for 23893 and we have a grand totad of 815,172 available panes to begin with. Now if each impression creates a full sheet of 280 stamps then we must also have a total of four plate positions for each impression. Naturally each of these four plate positions are different from one another only in the position they occupied on the sheet such as

other only in the position they occupied on the sheet such as Upper Left, Upper Right, Low-er Left and Lower Right.

Fourth: In conclusion we find that there were 815,172 positions of which 23890 had 268,192, 23891 had 268,196, 23892 had 139,392 and 23893 had 139,392. Going still further there were 67,048 of each of the four positions of plate number 23890, 67,049 of each of 23891, 34,348 of each of 23892 and 34,348 of each of 23893.

At least one or two or even more plate positions of 23892 and 23893 are sure to be humdingers.

The whole issue is none too large and although some of the above figures may seem large it is still

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a known fact that most of any issue usually falls into non-phila-telic channels. If the crowds that attended the

If the crowds that attended the Jamboree, here in New York City recently, are any indication of things to come then we can all look forward to one of the largest stamp seasons of all times.

Saar Territory Now Same As Part Of France

The Post Office Department has announced that effective Nov-ember 1, 1949, the region known as the Saar Territory heretofore included in Postal District 18 in the French Zone of Germany will be considered for postal purposes as part of France. as part of France.

as part of France.

The postage rates and other conditions applicable to continental France will apply to mail and parcel post for the Saar Territory.

Articles and parcels for that territory are to be addressed to Saar, France as country of destination.

The principal localities in the

The principal localities in the Saar Territory are Homburg, Merzig, Neunkirchen, Ottweiler, Saarbruecken, Saarlautern, Saarlouis, St. Ingbert and St. Wendel.

Pennsylvanians Offer Show, Banquet This Week

Second annual exhibition of the New Kensington (Pa.) Philatelic Society is scheduled for November 19 and 20 in the display room of the Jerome Motor Car Co. in

that city.
Only society members will exhibit in the approximately sixty

hibit in the approximately sixty frames prepared for the public. A number of dealers will be found on the bourse run in conjunction with the show.

A celebration banquet is sponsored by the club for Saturday evening the 19th. It will be held at the Elks Home, Fourth Ave. and Seventh St. Non-members of the club are welcome to join the club members and their wives in putting on the "feed bag".



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART WHAT NEXT.

In precancels, and I mean when you are into the whirl of things in precancels, you can tell from in precancels, you can tell from your contact and associations just what the trends of collecting are. As said many times, right now it is TYPES and TOWNS.

It was a natural for several reasons that need no repeating But the question now is what will follow.

Well for one thing State collect-Well for one thing State collecting is pretty good too, partly be cause it ties in with Towns and Types and partly because it is a big comedown from general, collecting. Even so some States are getting to be pretty large, when collections of 1800 and 2000 and up are recorded for one state that's getting to be signable.

when collections of 1800 and 2000 and up are recorded for one state that's getting to be sizeable.

The tough states will only be collected by the zealots because of the effort it takes to unearth such scarce material. So what next? Sounds like a guy that sings "Everything's up to date in Kansas City" don't it?

And speaking of Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago, Philadelphia, New York City, Boston, Cincinnati. Those are big cities with enough emissions of precancels both Bureau and City type that a specialized collection from any one of them will be a good job. Only your imagination will limit your collection. If you don't have an imagination to help find various angles to work you won't have much of a collection. But there it is for your consideration. A collection from a big city.

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Irish Announce Two New Commem Issues

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perantes hear the end of November and the first week of Dec.

The first of these, to mark the international recognition of the Republic of Ireland—"Poblact na hEireann"—will be placed on sale November 21.



There will be two stamps both of the same design, one a 2½d in red brown and a 3d in blue.

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Designer was Mrs. Muriel Brandt who selected a frontal view of Leinster House for the central part of her picture, surrounded by the coats of arms of the four Irish Provinces.

It is interesting to note that the arms of Ulster (Northern Ireland loyal to the British) is included. According to the official statement of the Irish Postal Administration, these arms include "the Red Hand of Ulster, thus sybolically asserting Ireland's claim to the whole of its territory, without division."

On December 5, a single com-

the whole of its territory, without division."

On December 5, a single commemorative stamp of 1d denomination to mark the centenary of
the death of James Clarence Mangan noted Irish Poet will be issued. Its color will be green.
Dublin artist, R. J. King was
responsible for the design which
depicts Mangan with pen raised
in a moment of inspiration. King
has been the designer of other
stamps namely the St. Patrick
high values, the Irish Constitution, Michael O'Clery and the
Davis and Parnell commems.
Both stamps will bear the bilingual inscription of the country's name.

try's name. News of the stamps was received from F. R. A. McCormick, 49 Whitebeam Rd., Dublin, Ireland.

A view of the city of Dinant is to be found on a Belgian stamp of

Free Envelopes For 10c UPU Stamp

A specially cacheted envelope for First Day Covers of the 10c Air Mail stamp commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the Universal Postal Union, which will be placed on First Day Sale in New Orleans on November 18, will be furnished interested collectors by the Dixiana Stampers of that city, Elwood J. Briggs, Publicity Director of the Club, has announced.

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The envelopes will be turnished without charge, and may be obtained by writing Mr. Briggs at 3333½ Canal St., New Orleans 19, La. Inasmuch as the supply is limited, quantities furnished will be made in accordance with the demand for the envelopes up to a maximum of 10 copies per individual.

Collectors making requests must enclose a large size stamped and fully self-addressed envelope for return of the cacheted envelopes to them. The return postage will be 3c regular and 6c air mail for each five envelopes. Although not required, it is suggested that commemorative stamps be used on the envelopes to Mr. Briggs. The Dixiana Stampers will be used

service these envelopes for inservice these envelopes for in-terested collectors in Latin Amer-ica as well as other parts of the world except the United States. Requests for this service should be air mailed so as to reach Mr. Briggs on or before the first day of sale, and payment for the stamps to be affixed must be en-closed. No other charge will be made. made.

The envelopes have been pro-vided through courtesy of New Orleans' world-famous International Trade Mart, center of the country's Latin American trade and a main artery in world commerce. The cachet appropriately depicts the Mart Building and a globe showing the two Americas with air routes emanating from New Orleans, "The Air Hub of the Americas."

Inaugural Cachet For New HPO Routes

The Post Office Department announced that government-owned and operated Highway Pos Office service will be inaugurated on or about November 29 between Greensboro and Florence. North Carolina; and between Roanoke, Virginia, and Greensboro, North Carolina.

Special first trip cachets will be provided for both routes. Collectors desiring first-trip cancella-tions should send their covers pro-perly prepared, with postage prepaid and ready for mailing, to the postmaster at the terminal cities of each route from which firsttrip cancellatioins are desired.

A clear space 2½ by 2½ inches the left on the address side of 1 covers must be left for the all

application of the cachets.

On each route the initial trip between the first-named and lastnamed city will be designated as "Trip 1", and the initial trip in the opposite direction as "Trip 2."

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opposite direction as "Trip 2."
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will not be given first-trip treat-

Israel Stamps Have Been Counterfeited

Counterfeits of certain stamps of Israel are said to exist accord-ding to word received by the Israel-Palestine Philatelic Society from a dealer-member in that

from a dealer-member in that country.
Quoting from a letter received here, the dealer wrote:
"From man of my clients in the United States....! have lately received inquiries if I could supply them with imperforated high-values of the Doar Ivri (First Coinage) issue which are being offered in New York.
"As far as I have been informed

this concerns only the values 250, 500, and 1,000 mils which have been brought over from England to America. I have had the opportunity of seeing those items and I can state that they are counterfeits.

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WHAT JOE ROSENTHAL SAYS I wrote to the famous AP photo-

grapher about this switch of names and he replied as follows: "Originally, in April of 1945 the Marine Corps announced identification of the men in my photo as listed and including Sgt Hansen. Then in December 1946, they replaced the

(Note—Admittedly, Rosenthal was not on top of Suribachi when the first flag was raised.)

WHAT JOHN BRADLEY SAYS

So my next contact point seemed indicate John H. Bradley, the to indicate John H. Bradley, the Navy Corpsman who accompanied the 40-man patrol up the mountainside to the top of Suribachi.

He is really a "neighbor" of mine, as we reckon it up here in Wisconsin, just a mere 75 miles up the road, and it was a beautiful September day when I called on him. And of all things, And of all things, he had turned mortician—undertaker to you—and luckily he had sufficient time for a nice friendly visit. He's a swell give

chronologically, he related as follows: Yes, he was attached as a Navy corpsman (first-aid man) to the 40-man platoon of the 28th Marines under Lt. Schrier— Lt. Schrier is still with the Marines today—whose mission was to reach the top of Suribachi and

plant a flag there.

(The purpose of a flag on Suribachi that day was to indicate to a thousand eyes on land and sea that the southern end of Iwo Jima had been secured and needed no further shelling from ships or planes.) needed no

He does not remember which of He does not remember which of the 40 men raised that flag, but he recalls that a Sgt. Thomas from Tallahassee, Florida, second in command under Lt. Schrier, was in charge—and as the wind was pretty strong up there, he person-ally lent a helping hand and gave the heavy lead eaff a hoost as he the heavy lead staff a boost, a also helped when the second was raised sometime later. second flag

THE SECOND FLAG

Still quoting Bradley: The Colonel in command, at the base of the cliff, sighting the flag, decided that it was not large of the cliff, sighting the mag of Hansen with that of Corp. Block of Texas. I do not mean to raise any question about this for the simple fact that I do not know. I did not jot down the names of the men at the time on the larger flag to the craft for renot know. I did not jot down the names of the men at the time on Mt. Suribachi and I did not know them. Perhaps Mr. Bradley, when you see him, may have a word

Strank and Pfc. Sousley to rush the larger flag to the crater for replacement. Also, Pfc. Hayes was bound up the slope with a fresh battery for the inter-com system and it was these four men, plus Bradley, plus Corporal Block who raised the second flag, as shown in Rosenthal's picture.

To the best of Bradley's know-ledge, Sgt. Hansen was up in the crater, but was not immediately connected with either the first or the second flag raising. The 40-man patrol stayed up on Suribachi for another two days will evaluate for another two days until ordered down and detailed elsewhere on the island.

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The three men listed as dead at the time Rosenthal's picture was published across the nation did not die on Suribachi; Strank and Block were killed on March 1 and Sousley on March 21. Bradley Sousley on March 21. Bradley sea, by land, and by air." Also the first atom-bomb. I won't put in quotes the things 12, and hospitalized. As he recalls

he told me, but substantially and it, it was about two days after he had given blood plasma to Sgt. Hansen, in a vain attempt to save that brave man's life. The four dead were all buried at the time in the Marine Cemetery on Iwo.
Also, Bradley stated that at the

time of the flag raising, neither he nor any of the other men knew that they were having their pictures taken, as the cameramen dress almost exactly as they themselves do in the field, and besides "We were too d—m busy minding our own business."

He didn't know about or see the famous snap of Rosenthal's until 15 days later, "and then they come a year afterward and want us to be positive who was at the base of the flagstaff—phuii!"

Thank you, John Bradley.

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three and Bradley—Bradley Gagnon still on crutches-were rushed to United States, and together with Rosenthal, were travelled cross-country, to submit to frenzied hero-worship of the people, zied hero-worship of the people, do more and repeated "flag-raisall to coax yet more war-from the populace... when all of them, no d yearned for the much "peaceful" Pacific war area. doubt

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